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Westminster Chess Club.

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RULES AND REGULATIONS,

WITH

LIST OF OFFICERS.

NOTICE TO MEMBERS.

SUCH Members as have not attended the new Club Rooms are informed that they will, for the future, have the increased accommodation of the Chess Saloon, Reading Room, Whist Room, and Billiard Table.

The most modern Works of Literature, and the leading Newspapers and Periodicals, Chess Magazines, &c., will be found in the Reading Room.

A Table d'Hôte for Members, at half-past Six p.m.

Members are informed that the prescribed limit in the number of Members without entrance-fee is nearly attained.

Gentlemen desirous of joining, and unable to comply with Rule 5, will be proposed or seconded, as the case may be, by the Honorary Secretary, to enable his application to be submitted to the Managing Committee.

All inquiries, &c. should be addressed to 'The Honorary Secretary, Westminster Chess Club, Inns of Court Hotel, W.C.'

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RULES AND REGULATIONS.

1. THIS Association is named THE WESTMINSTER CHESS CLUB.

2. The objects of the Association are the cultivation of the game of Chess, the creation of a general interest in its pursuit, and the provision of a convenient and agreeable place for the social communion of its Members.

3. The Club shall consist of Town and Country Members. All Members shall be considered Town Members except such as have no residence in, or within thirty miles of, London, and who do not attend the Club more than thirty days in any one year. Members of either House of Parliament shall be considered as Town Members.

MEMBERS.

4. Members shall be elected by the Managing Committee by ballot. One black ball shall exclude any Candidate. No Member shall be elected unless a quorum of the Managing Committee be present.

5. Every Candidate for election as a Member of the Club must be proposed and seconded by Members. The notice of

his proposal, with his usual place of residence, shall be placed in the Club-room, on the card provided for the purpose, at least eight days before his election.

6. Notice shall be sent to each Member on his election, together with a copy of the Rules and Regulations, and a request for payment of his subscription, and, after the first two hundred Town Members, of his entrance-fee. The payment of these will admit him to all the advantages of the Club, and will be held as a submission to the Rules and Regulations of the Association which he then voluntarily joins.

7. Should any Member neglect to pay his subscription for two months after his election, or after it falls due, the Treasurer shall signify the same to the Committee, who may, unless satisfactory reasons be given for the delay, strike his name from the list of Members.

8. Any Member desirous of withdrawing from the Club must give notice in writing to the Secretary before the expiration of the year for which he has subscribed, or he shall be liable for the subscription for the ensuing year.

9. Any Candidate having been rejected as a Member of the Club shall not be eligible for election within one year.

10. Any Member violating the Rules or Regulations of the Club, or acting in an improper or ungentlemanly manner, may be suspended by order of the Managing Committee till an Extraordinary General Meeting be held, when he may be expelled by the votes of two-thirds of the Members voting at such Extraordinary General Meeting of the Club to be called for the purpose.

11. Any Member so expelled shall forfeit all claim on the property of the Club, and shall cease to be a Member without appeal.

12. In the event of a premature termination of the Club, and a cesser of its advantages, no Member shall have any claim for a return of his subscription.

13. The annual subscription shall be, for Town Members £2 2s., for Country Members 10s. 6d. No entrance-fee will be required from the first two hundred Town Members. Town Members entering afterwards shall pay, in addition to their subscription, an entrance-fee of £2 2s.

14. The number of Members of the Club shall be limited to three hundred Members.

15. The subscription of Members shall commence as from the 1st January or 1st July next preceding the date of election.

16. All subscriptions shall be paid in advance.

GENERAL MEETINGS.

17. A General Meeting of the Members of the Club shall be held on the first Saturday in January and July in each year, to transact the general business of the Club, and at the latter of the said Meetings to receive the Report and Accounts for the past year, and to elect Members of the General Committee in place of those retiring.

18. The Accounts for the past year, made up to 1st June, and properly audited, shall be presented by the Treasurer to the General Meeting on 1st July in each year.

19. An Annual Report of the progress and position of the Club shall be prepared by the Secretary, under the instructions of the Managing Committee, and printed with the Annual Statement of Accounts, and delivered to each Member present at the General Meeting.

20. An Extraordinary General Meeting of the Club may be called at any time after ten days' notice, publicly exhibited in the Club-room, stating the object for which such Meeting is called. Such Meeting may be summoned either by order of the Managing Committee, or by a requisition signed by ten Members of the General Committee, or twenty Members of the Club.

21. One week before such Meeting, the Secretary shall send a printed notice to every Member of the Club at his address, as entered in the Members' Book.

22. No Member who shall not have paid his subscription shall be entitled to vote at any Meeting, either of the Club or General Committee.

MANAGEMENT.

23. The business of the Club shall be conducted by a General and Managing Committee.

24. The number of the General Committee shall be limited to twenty Members. Seven Members shall form a quorum.

25. Five of the General Committee shall retire each 1st July, but may be re-elected at the General Meeting of the Club.

26. The General Committee shall meet on the 2nd July and 2nd January each year, to elect from their own body Members of the Managing Committee in place of those retiring.

27. At other times they shall be called together, either by the Managing Committee, or by a notice posted in the Club-room ten days at least before such Meeting, and signed by ten of its Members.

28. The number of the Managing Committee shall be limited to eight, including the Honorary Secretary and Honorary Treasurer.

29. Two of the Managing Committee shall retire on the 1st July and 1st January each year, but shall be eligible for re-election by the General Committee.

30. The Managing Committee shall meet every Wednesday afternoon, at Five o'clock, to sanction expenditure and disbursements, to elect Members, and generally to conduct the affairs of the Club; and their acts, of whatever kind or nature, shall be binding until set aside by a General Meeting of the Club. Four shall form a quorum.

31. The Officers of the Club, whether honorary or otherwise, shall be appointed by the Managing Committee, who shall have power to fill up *ad interim* any vacancies which may occur therein, and any *interim* vacancy in the Managing Committee shall be filled up by the General Committee.

REGULATIONS.

1. The Club shall be open to Members from 10 A.M. each day till 1 A.M. next day.
2. All Members playing Chess shall follow the Laws strictly as given in 'Staunton's Chess Praxis.'
3. All Members playing Whist shall follow the Laws of Mr. Baldwin.
4. No newspapers or other property of the Club shall be removed from the Club-room by any Member.
5. The Club points at Whist shall be One Shilling in the absence of any express agreement.
6. The Club stake at Chess shall be One Shilling in the absence of any express agreement.
7. Any Member may introduce a friend, but the same person shall not visit the Club more than three times in any one year.
8. Any question arising out of games played in the Club shall be referred to and decided by the Managing Committee.
9. Complaints will be attended to by the Managing Committee when authenticated by signature.
10. All Members shall pay their bill for every expense incurred in the Club before leaving each day.
11. These Rules and Regulations shall be printed, and a copy given to every Member, but no Member shall be absolved from the effect of these Rules on the ground of not having received them.



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